Department of Insurance

Executive

INSCD2 Fees for insurer examinations

R.C. 3901.071, 1739.10, 1751.34, 1761.16, 3901.021, 3901.07, 3919.19, 3921.28, 3930.13, 3931.08, 3964.03, 3964.13, 3964.15, and Section 516.10

Abolishes the Superintendent's Examination Fund (Fund 5550) and the Captive Insurance Regulation and Supervision Fund (Fund 5PTO) and transfers the activities of these funds to the Department of Insurance Operating Fund (Fund 5540). Requires the OBM Director to transfer the cash balance from funds 5550 and 5PTO to Fund 5540.

Fiscal effect: Beginning in FY 2024, revenue to Fund 5550 and Fund 5PTO will be redirected to Fund 5540, and expenditures from ALIs drawing on Fund 5550 and Fund 5PTO will instead be paid from Fund 5540.

INSCD1 Market conduct examination

Section: 305.20

Allows the Superintendent of Insurance to assess the costs associated with a market conduct examination of an insurer doing business in this state against the insurer. Allows the Superintendent to enter into consent agreements to impose administrative assessments or fines for conduct discovered that may be violations of insurance laws or rules administered by the Superintendent. Requires all costs, assessments, or fines collected related to such violations to be deposited into the Department of Insurance Operating Fund (Fund 5540).

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OBMCD41 Cash transfers and abolishment of funds

Section: 516.10

For purposes of abolishing various funds that are no longer needed, authorizes the OBM Director to carry out necessary accounting procedures, including transferring the remaining cash balances from the funds that are to be abolished, canceling existing encumbrances, and reestablishing those encumbrances against appropriate funds.

Lists the funds to be abolished, including funds used by: COM, DAS, DEV, OhioMHAS, ODPS, BEMC, OFCC, INS, ODJFS, OPD, and Ohio EPA.

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GOVCD3 Electronic notification, meeting, and data storage law changes

R.C.

127.15, 173.03, 753.19, 1121.38, 1509.06, 1513.071, 1513.08, 1513.16, 1565.12, 1571.05, 1571.08, 1571.10, 1571.14, 1571.15, 1571.16, 1707.02, 1707.04, 1707.042, 1707.091, 1707.11, 1707.43, 1733.16, 2941.401, 3111.23, 3301.05, 3302.04, 3310.521, 3313.41, 3313.818, 3314.21, 3319.081, 3319.11, 3319.16, 3319.291, 3319.311, 3321.13, 3321.21, 3704.03, 3734.02, 3734.021, 3734.575, 3746.09, 3752.11, 3772.031, 3772.04, 3772.11, 3772.12, 3772.13, 3772.131, 3781.08, 3781.11, 3781.25, 3781.29, 3781.342, 3904.08, 4121.19, 4123.512, 4123.52, 4125.03, 4141.09, 4141.47, 4167.10, 4301.17, 4301.30, 4303.24, 4507.081, 4508.021, 4509.101, 4510.03, 4510.41, 4735.13, 4735.14, 5107.161, 5120.14, 5165.193, 5165.86, 5166.303, 5168.08, 5168.22, 5168.23, 5525.01, 5703.37, 5709.83, 5736.041, 5751.40, 1509.031, 3745.019, Repealed: R.C. 5123.195

Implements a 2020 initiative of the Common Sense Initiative to make changes throughout the Revised Code to partly reflect the advancements in technology related to notifications, meetings, data storage, and certain other government functions. (For more detailed analysis of these changes, please see the Electronic Notification and Meetings section (pages 311-338) of the LSC Bill Analysis for H.B. 33.)

Makes specific changes, including removal of obsolete provisions, to facilitate the use of electronic communications, including websites, in the daily operations for the following entities: CAC, COM, DODD, ODE, Ohio EPA, INS, ODJFS, ODPS, PUCO, TAX, ODOT, and ODWIS.

Modifies the type of communication media through which a required notice of events or services may be made by generally adding the option of electronic, including email, delivery or mail delivery by a commercial/common carrier and removing the outdated telegraph method for the following entities: CEB, CAC, COM, ODE, Ohio EPA, ODJFS, ODM, ODNR, PUCO, DRC, ODWIS, and municipalities.

Permits meeting via electronic means, instead of in-person meetings, on specified matters provided that the meetings still allow for interactive public attendance for the following entities: Ohio Advisory Council for the Aging, Internet- or computer-based community schools, school districts or other public schools, ODPS-Register of Motor Vehicles, counties, townships, and municipalities.

Permits or requires the establishment of electronic means of submission for such services as licensure, approvals, and other by the following entities: ODNR's Division of Oil and Gas Resources Management, school districts, ODE, solid waste management districts, and courts of record.

Modifies or removes references related to creating or retaining stenographic records of certain proceedings for the following entities: COM, ODNR, ODE, school districts, Ohio EPA, and ODWIS.

Fiscal effect: TAX has estimated savings of approximately \$3.4 million per year for the agency. Ohio EPA has estimated annual savings of over \$750,000. Other affected state agencies will also likely realize some administrative cost savings as will affected local governments.